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FOR ASST SECY SAUNDERS FROM HUMMEL

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MNUC, PEPR, PK, US
SUBJECT: GROWING NEED FOR EARLY FRENCH NOTIFICATION TO PAKISTAN
ON REPROCESSING PLANT

1. WE ARE MUCH CONCERNED HERE ABOUT EVIDENCE WE ARE NOW SEEING:
(A) THAT PAK REACTION TO AGHA SHEHI'S TWO TALKS WITH SECY
VANCE IS GENERALLY NEGATIVE AND DISCOURAGED; (B) THAT PLANS ARE
WELL ALONG FOR GHULAM ISHAQ (SECGEN IN CHIEF AND MOST SENIOR
CIVIL SERVANT) TO VISIT MOSCOW FOR DISCUSSIONS OF INCREASED
PAK-SOVIET COOPERATION; AND (C) THAT AGHA SHAHI WILL PROBABLY
FOLLOW ON WITH ANOTHER VISIT AT THE INVITATION OF GROMYKO.

2. I DRAW THE TENTATIVE CONCLUSION THAT THE GOP IS SERIOUSLY
PLANNING A WARMING-UP OF PAK-USSR RELATIONS AS A MEANS OF
POSTPONING, COUNTERING, OR DIMINISHING THE AFGHAN PRESSURES THAT
THEY EXPECT. WE HAVE SAID BEFORE, AND STILL BELIEVE, THAT ANY
SUCH WARMTH WILL BE LIMITED BY THE ATTITUDES OF PAKISTAN'S CLOSE
FRIENDS THE PRC, IRAN, AND THE SAUDIS, AS WELL AS BY
DEEPLY-HELD SUSPICIONS OF SOVS AMONG MOST PAKISTANIS (SEPTTEL).
NEVERTHELESS, IT WOULD BE UNFORTUNATE IF THE PAKS BEGIN THESE
MOVES AS A RESULT OF WRONG ASSUMPTIONS ABOUT FUTURE US SUPPORT
AND COOPERATION, AND TAKE SOME STEPS THAT MIGHT FURTHER INHIBIT
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OUR ABILITY TO BE HELPFUL.

3. I WOULD HOPE THAT THIS VEXING SITUATION COULD QUICKLY BE
EXPOSED TO THE FRENCH, THEREFORE, AS A MEANS OF SPEEDING UP THEIR
NOTIFICATION TO THE PAKS OF THE CANCELLATION OF THE
REPROCESSING CONTRACT, THUS FREEING US TO OFFER THE PAKS THE KIND
OF US ASSISTANCE THAT MIGHT CHANGE THEIR MINDS ABOUT APPROACHING

THE SOVIETS. ALTHOUGH I CAN'T PRETEND TO ANY INSIGHTS INTO THE
FRENCH SCENE, I WONDER IF THE FRENCH BUREAUCRACY MIGHT BE TEMPTED
TO TRY NEGOTIATING WITH US SPECIFIC ASSURANCES OF COOPERATION IN
PAKISTAN BEFORE THEY NOTIFY THE PAKISTANIS, THUS DELAYING THE
EXPOSURE TO THE PAKS OF THE FULL RANGE OF PAK OPTIONS IN THE NEW,
POST-REPROCESSING ERA.
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